

COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AUGUST 15, 2006

- I. Mayor Fred Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 7:10 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.
 - A. Opening Prayer was given by David Florine with St. Peter's Lutheran Church.
 - B. Pledge – Boy Scouts from Troop 506 led the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - C. Roll Call: Present - Jesse Brand, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, Robert Kittle, Jim Lienhoop, Martha Myers, August Tindell.
 - D. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting: Ann DeVore moved to approve the minutes from the last regularly scheduled meeting of August 1, 2006. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
 - E. Discussion of Community Reading Project – Warren Baumgart, Director of the Arts Council, presented each member of the Council with the book *Counting on Grace*, a novel by Elizabeth Winthrop. He shared with the Council the book is this year's Columbus Community Book Reading Project. He asked that the book be read in the next three (3) months and then donated to a library. Lyn Morgan spoke about the upcoming International Literacy Day to be held on September 8, 2006.
 - F. Recognition of Columbus Rugby Team – Marcus Hurley and Travis Perry, coaches for the National Championship Rugby Team, introduced the team members present. Mayor Armstrong read a Proclamation recognizing the Rugby Team's accomplishments. The coaches thanked the Council for the recognition.
- II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action

NONE
- III. New Business Requiring Council Action
 - A. Reading of a Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION NO. 24, 2006, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK-TREASURER TO EXECUTE STATEMENT OF BENEFIT FORMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT IN A PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-12.1-7." (Capco LLC) Jim Clouse along with Vice President Jun Hashizume presented this Resolution. Capco LLC requested tax abatement for real estate expansion in the amount of \$2,000,000. It was reported Capco LLC, manufacturer of automotive safety components had recently acquired two (2) new customers making the real estate expansion necessary. Jim Clouse indicated the Form SB-1/RE is amended showing 65 jobs retained and 5 to be added. Robert Kittle, Council Member, indicated the Incentive Review Committee had met and found Capco LLC to be in substantial compliance. Robert Kittle moved to approve the Resolution. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0. Council Person Jim Lienhoop abstained.

- B. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 25, 2006, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK-TREASURER TO EXECUTE STATEMENT OF BENEFIT FORMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT IN A PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-12.1-7.” (Enkei America Moldings Inc.) Jim Clouse along with Larry Schuyler, General Manager for Enkei America Moldings presented the Resolution. Enkei requested tax abatement in the amount of \$1,872,000 for new manufacturing equipment and building renovation in the amount of \$186,000. Discussion followed. Council member Robert Kittle indicated the Incentive Review Committee had met and found Enkei America Moldings Inc. to be in substantial compliance. Robert Kittle moved to approve the Resolution. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- C. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.26, 2006, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK-TREASURER TO EXECUTE STATEMENT OF BENEFIT FORMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT IN A PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-12.1-7.”(546 Investments LLC) Jim Clouse along with Brian Russell representing 546 Investments, LLC, presented this Resolution. 546 Investments LLC requested tax abatement in the amount of \$500,000 in order to renovate the property at 546 Washington Street into condos and retail space. Discussion followed. Robert Kittle indicated the Incentive Review Committee had met and found 546 Investments LLC to be in substantial compliance. Robert Kittle moved to approve the Resolution. George Dutro seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0 with Jim Lienhoop abstaining.
- D. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.____, 2006, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP, A PART OF TITLE 17 (THE ZONING ORDINANCE) OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, RE-ZONING THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM “AG” (AGRICULTURE) TO “B-4” (HIGHWAY BUSINESS).” (Albert Skaggs) Jeff Bergman – Martha Myers made a motion to deny the re-zoning request. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- E. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.____, 2006, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP, A PART OF TITLE 17 (THE ZONING ORDINANCE) OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, RE-ZONING THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM “I-2” (MEDIUM INDUSTRIAL) TO “B-5” (GENERAL BUSINESS).” (Orinoco Properties, Inc.) Jeff Bergman, Planning Director, presented this request for re-zoning. He indicated this was a request to re-zone 3.23 acres from I-2 (Medium Industrial) to B-5 (General Business). This property is located at 1501 Cottage Avenue. Jeff Bergman showed the Google earth map, the location map, site photo, and the area zoning map. At the August 2, 2006 meeting, the Columbus Plan Commission reviewed the above referenced application and forwarded it to the City Council with a favorable recommendation by a vote of 7 in favor and 0 opposed. No members of the public spoke for or against this matter at the Plan Commission meeting. John Councillor, owner of the property, was present to answer any questions. Brief discussion followed. George Dutro made a motion to place in

proper channels. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

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IV. Other Business

- A. Downtown Resident Parking Discussion – Jeff Bergman presented a Power Point presentation regarding the downtown resident parking complete with statistics and photos of the areas in question. A lengthy discussion followed. Tom Vujovich, Tom Dell, Lou Marr, Brian Russell, Milo Smith and Carol Duncan voiced their perspective.
- B. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports.
- C. Mayor Armstrong indicated that next Council meeting will be on Monday, August 28, 2006 at 8:00 o’clock A.M. This meeting will be a special meeting and only budget related items will be on the agenda. The next regular scheduled meeting will be September 19, 2006 at 7:00 P.M.
- D. Adjournment: Robert Kittle moved to adjourn the meeting. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:00 o’clock P.M.

Presiding Officer of the Common Council

Attest:

Columbus City Clerk Treasurer

